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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 14, 2006

In response to the August 14, 2006 Non-Final Office Action in the above-identified case, Applicants submit this Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111. Applicants also submit herewith a Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time and fee of \$450.00 required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2) for a large entity. While Applicants believe that no additional fees are required, the USPTO is authorized to charge or credit the undersigned Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Customer Number: 35437, Reference No. 21465-501 CIP DIV, for any additional fees needed.

Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of this Amendment in the application.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.